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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 6527

C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (MRN SHOULD READ 6527 VICE 6526)

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: AMCIT ROGER A. NORBERG

REF: VIENTIANE 6312 (NOTAL SAIGON)

1. NORBERG CALLED ON EMBOFF AUGUST 21 TO RELATE DETAILS OF VISIT SAME DAY WITH NGO MINH, PRESS SECRETARY, DRV EMBASSY, VIENTIANE. NORBERG WAS ACCOMPANIED TO DRV EMBASSY BY ALI NUNN, CBS STRINGER, WHO ACTED AS INTERPRETER. DURING CONVERSATION MINH MENTIONED ALLEGED CAPTURE OF TWO AMERICAN ADVISORS, ONE IN VICINITY OF DANANG AND OTHER AT LAC NINH. NO DATE WAS GIVEN FOR CAPTURE OF DANANG ADVISOR HOWEVER NORBERG RECEIVED THE IMPRESSION IT WAS AUGUST 1974. LOC NINH ADVISOR WAS ALLEGED TO BE A PILOT IN MILITARY UNIFORM AND HIS CAPTURE ALSO SUPPOSEDLY OCCURED RECENTLY.

2. MINH COMPLAINED OF CONTINUED RECONNAISSANCE OVERFLIGHTS OF NVN AND SVN BY U.S. AIRCRAFT. ALLEGED FLIGHTS WERE CONDUCTED BY C130 LAUNCHED DRONES AND "SS-77" FROM U-TAPAO. NORBERG ASKED MINH IF HE DIDN'T MEAN SR-71, HOWEVER MINH REPLIED IN NEGATIVE
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INSISTING AIRCRAFT WAS "SS-77." MINH THEN REFERRED TO RECENT

SENSOR IMPLANTS AT DIEN BIEN PHU, LAI CHAU, KONTUM, PLEIKU AND QUANG TRI. SENSORS WERE ALLEGED TO BE FIVE-BLADED AND SHAPED LIKE A TROPICAL PLANT.

3. NORBERG SURFACED QUESTION OF STATUS OF PW/MIA'S. MINH STATED THAT U.S. IS VIOLATING ALL IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF PARIS ACCORDS AND THEREFORE NO PROGRESS CAN BE EXPECTED. ON QUESTION OF NORBERG VISA TO DRV, MINH SUGGESTED HE WRITE TRAN TRUNG QUAT. NORBERG WAS UNABLE TO RECALL QUAT'S POSITION EXCEPT THAT HE WAS SECRETARY GENERAL OF SOME UNIDENTIFIED DRV COMMITTEE.

4. SAIGON HAS BEEN ADDED TO NORBERG'S SELF-CONSTRUCTED ITINERARY REPORTED REFTEL. HE HAS EXPRESSED DESIRE TO VISIT JCRC HEAD-QUARTERS, NKP. EMBOFF SUGGESTED HE CONTACT EMBASSY BANGKOK FOR APPROPRIATE CLEARANCE. NORBERG IS NOT CERTAIN WHEN HE PLANS TO DEPART VIENTIANE.
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